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Office of the Governor Oil Spill Coordinator's Office

North Pass NRDA Case Notice of Availability of
a Final Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan

September 22, 2002 Oil Spill at North Pass in the Mississippi River Delta, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana; Notice of Availability of a Final Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment.

Agencies:

Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office
Office of the Governor (LOSCO)
Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ)
Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (LDNR)
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF)
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); and
United States Department of the Interior (USDOI)
which is represented by the
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

Action:

Notice of Availability of a Final Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment.

Summary:

Notice is hereby given that a document entitled "Final Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment, September 22, 2002 Oil Spill at North Pass in the Mississippi River Delta, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana" (Final DARP/EA) is final and available to the public as of June 20, 2005. This document has been prepared by the agencies listed above (Trustees) to address injuries to natural resources and services following the September 22, 2002 discharge of crude oil into the Mississippi River Delta, Louisiana (incident). The Final DARP/EA presents the Trustees' assessment of injuries to natural resources and services attributable to the incident and their plan to restore, replace, or acquire natural resources or services equivalent to those lost, as a basis for compensating the public for the injuries resulting from the incident.

Interested members of the public are invited to request a copy of the Final DARP/EA from Gina Muhs Saizan at the address given below.

For Further Information:

Contact Gina Muhs Saizan at 225-219-5800, or by e-mail at gina.saizan@la.gov. To view the Final DARP/EA via the internet, please visit www.losco.state.la.us and look under News Flash for North Pass Oil Spill.

Address:

Requests for copies of the Final DARP/EA should be sent to:

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Supplementary Information:

The public was given an opportunity to review and comment on the Draft DARP/EA during the public comment period, which extended from March 20, 2005 through April

20, 2005. Public review of the Draft DARP/EA is consistent with all state and federal laws and regulations that apply to the Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) process, including Section 1006 of the Oil Pollution Act (OPA), 33 U.S.C. §2706; the regulations for NRDA under OPA, 15 C.F.R. Part 990; National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. §4321, *et seq.*; the regulations implementing NEPA, 40 C.F.R. §1500, *et seq.*; Section 2480 of the Louisiana Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act (OSPRA), R.S. 30:2480 *et seq.*; and the regulations for NRDA under OSPRA, LAC 43: Part XXIX, Chapter 1. The Trustees did not receive comments during the public comment period and have finalized the Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment, September 22, 2002 Oil Spill at North Pass in the Mississippi River Delta, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana (Final DARP/EA).

Scott A. Angelle
Secretary

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Department of Insurance Office of the Commissioner

Public Hearing

Regulation 86 Dependent Coverage of Newborn
Children in the Group and Individual Market
(LAC 37:XIII.11109)

The Department of Insurance hereby gives notice that it will hold a public hearing on July 26, 2006 beginning at 10 a.m. in the Poydras Hearing Room on the first floor of the main office of the Department of Insurance located at 1702 N. Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 (Poydras Building). The purpose of this public hearing will be for the Department of Insurance to advise the public of the substantive changes that the Department of Insurance has made to proposed Regulation 86, entitled "Dependent Coverage of Newborn Children in the Group and Individual Market", which was the subject of a Notice of Intent published in the *Louisiana Register* on February 20, 2005. The substantive changes adopted by the Department of Insurance relate to §11109.E of proposed Regulation 86 with regard to the written notice that the health insurance issuer must provide to a health care provider by adding that this notice must be given to a provider who has not only submitted a claim but has provided notice that a health care service has been or is being rendered, and notice must be given to a provider who has requested or has obtained a pre-certification or certification to render a health care service to the newborn child. The public is invited to attend and take part in this public hearing by providing comments, information or facts relative to the proposed substantive changes to be adopted by the Department of Insurance.

J. Robert Wooley
Commissioner

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